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RAILROAD STATION, YARDS AND SHOPS KOMSOMOLSK, USSR

Komsomolsk, a major industrial and transportation center in Eastern Siberia, is located on Route 530 of the Far Eastern Railroad System, 350 kilometers northeast of Dezhnevka where Route 530 joins the Trans-Siberian Railroad. The main industries are a steel plant, naval shipyard, oil refinery, aircraft manufacture and assembly plants, and a cement plant.

A branch line leads north from Komsomolsk to Duki, and when completed between Duki and Urgal, will make a second rail connection with the Trans-Siberian at Izvestkovayy. The Dezhnevka-Sovetskaya Gavan Railroad (Route 530) is the only present rail connection to the east coast of Siberia north of Vladivostok.

Components of the railroad station, yards and shops at Komsomolsk are annotated on the accompanying photograph and described in the following key to annotations.

KEY TO ANNOTATIONS

- 1. Two warehouses, 155 by 40 feet; rail served on one side.
- 2. Car repair/maintenance shed 165 by 75 feet, with two tracks entering, and an adjoining shop, 105 by 55 feet.
- 3. Passenger station, 160 by 50 feet.
- 4. Classification yard, 11 tracks wide, maximum length 3,200 feet, effective length 2,200 feet. Two by-pass tracks serve the passenger station.
- 5. Holding yard, 6 tracks wide. Maximum length 3,100 feet, effective length 2,500 feet.
- 6. Three locomotive repair/maintenance sheds, 135 by 85 feet with three tracks entering, 175 by 85 feet with three tracks entering, 235 by 60 feet with two through tracks, and a shop 200 by 65 feet.
- 7. Boilerhouse, 70 by 60 feet.
- 8. Coal storage area, approximately 1,900 by 370 feet served by 5 tracks. No coaling tower is visible.
- 9. Dead-end sidings or small yard under construction, 2-3 tracks wide, maximum length 2,700 feet, effective length 2,400 feet.
- 10. Holding yard, 3 tracks wide, maximum length 1,550 feet, effective length 1,100 feet.
- 11. Turning wye, useable length 210 feet.

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